the Committee's report will be taken into consideration and even if legislation is to be introduced, it would be done. The hon. Member has stated that as regards dry areas, the Vijayaraghavachariar's Committee has made certain suggestions. I shall certainly go into those suggestions and see how far Government would be able to help those areas.

" As regards the reduction of the rate of interest, I may state to the House that the matter is under the immediate consideration of the Government and orders will be passed very soon. As regards the survey of zamindari lands, I realise that even if the zamindari system is to be liquidated, they will have to be surveyed and when they are surveyed, certainly the people in those areas will have the benefit of the land mortgage banks.

" As regards Royalseema, I need not say that the Royalseema leaders are great agitators and they know how to put a thing not once, but a hundred times and how to secure results. If we can do something more, nothing would please the Government better in this matter.

" As regards the other suggestions made, they will be carefully gone into and the Government will see what could be done."

* MR. PRESIDENT :—" I now put the motion to the vote of the House. The motion is—

> ' *This Council recommends to the Provincial Government that they may under sub-section* (2) *of section* 6 *of the Madras Co-operative Land Mortgage Banks Act*, 1934, *increase the maximum amount of the guarantee given by them in respect of the debentures issued by the Madras Co-operative Land Mortgage Bank, Limited, up to a total face value of Rs.* 400 *lakhs exclusive of such debentures as the bank may from time to time redeem, such debentures being issued for periods not exceeding in any case* 25 *years from the date of issue and bearing interest at a rate not exceeding* 5 *per cent per annum* '."

The motion was put and carried.

The House then adjourned to meet again at 11 a.m. on Thursday, the 12th September 1946.

V.—PAPER LAID ON THE TABLE OF THE HOUSE.

[a] *The Madras Trade Disputes Adjudication (Temporary Provision) Bill*, 1946 (*L.A. Bill No.* 3 *of* 1946), *passed by the Assembly and received therefrom in the Council.*

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[a] Laid on the table on 10th September 1946.